GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3013
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2005
CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAY /EXPRESSWAY FROM VISAKHAPATNAM TO RANCHI
Mahtab Shri Bhartruhari

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct Highway/Expressway from Visakhapatnam to Ranchi via the Compact Revolutionary Zone connecting Dandakaranya region;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Union Government has been approached by the Government of Orissa in this regard; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to assess the financial investment for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) No, sir. (b) Does not arise. (c) & (d) A proposal has been received from the State Government of Orissa to declare Vijyawada-Ranchi Road as National Highway. At present emphasis is being given for development of roads alreadydeclared as National Highways instead of declaring more roads as National Highways. Hence, this proposal has not been approved.